

Seaboard Oct. 6.th 1840.

My Dear Friend:

Caroline's eloquence was so powerful
that, contrary to my intention, I fully
determined going to Worcester to-day
expected to be at your house at half
past 9 on my way. But my wife was
so much out of sorts at breakfast time
that I did not think it right to leave her
alone - with nobody within ten miles but
servants to call upon or send to. She over-
-excited herself at the time of our removal.
Hitherto is now suffering the consequences.
You may be sure I was sorry enough to
give up my expedition - on my own account,
however, chiefly as I wished to see Dover's
other other friends exceedingly. As to my own
personal importance on such occasions,
except as a unit in the aggregate (as
which I feel it to be duty to go whenever
it is possible) I have had experience enough
of Conventions to know my vanity bound-
-edly to be down. "Brother Quincy, you
must come to our Convention - we can't
get along without you - we shall get
aground if you don't come - we're no speaking
at all - come you must &c." And when honest
brother Quincy arrives at the scene of action,
all loaded & primed & ready to go off with
a well conned extempore speech - Co. Shoberg
he does n't get a chance to open his clam-shell!
Alas! it is a great misery to one who loves

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to hear himself talk. I want however
to hear the particulars of the same especially
the proferment of Governor & Deput.

I don't understand at all J's behaviour
about the Call. It cannot be that he is
disposed to pay us! I must have very
strong evidence of such a disposition
before I can believe it. I suppose
it is merely this excessive caution.
But he ~~must~~^{ever} not be allowed to manage
this matter. "He is in no way responsible
for it & need take no part in it if
he do not approve it - but it will
not do for him to undertake to stop
proceedings of other people. That would
be to be under suspicion themselves with a
vengeance. If he do not choose to
insert it as matter - it must go in
as an advertisement, to which effect
I wrote Johnson yesterday. I take it
J. has no control over the advertising
part of the paper & Johnson no
right to exclude our advertising
sent by a respectable person. I hope
you will see to it that it appears in
the Non-Resistant - your authority &
mine, with ~~which~~ which I invest you,
is I suppose absolute there. I
am troubled about that thing, though
on Garrison's account - as I cannot

hear the idea of his doing a starchy
thing. Write to me about this matter
for it troubleth my spirit.

Tell Caroline that the pork has been
beforehand with her with my tomatoes.
They are numbered with the things that
were. If it will be any consolation you
may tell her that if the Lord applied a
fortnight ago she might have had
two barrels. Next year we will be
much milder. I shall answer
her excellent letter soon. I shall
write at length to you before long
about a house in every way what
you would like - about I have but
little doubt will be for sale in the
spring.

Adieu!

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